

sorrow, mutilated, and poor, stainless honor crowns her brow—still shining with courage and hope. With great expectations, she now turns to the representatives of the people. My unceasing and laborious co-operation will second your every effort to advance the general welfare. And my profoundest desires, my sole ambition, will be accomplished in the glory of the Commonwealth. JAMES L. KEMPER.

LOCAL NEWS.

THE CORPORATION COURT of the city of Alexandria will commence on Monday, January 12th, 1874. The following criminal cases are upon the docket, to wit:

Com. vs. Walker Kelley; perjury.
Com. vs. same; illegal voting.
Com. vs. George Allen; burglary.
Com. vs. John Bright; arson.
Com. vs. Alpheus B. Brown; arson.
Com. vs. Joseph Shepard; perjury.
Com. vs. Laura Talspaugh; keeping a house of ill-fame.

Besides the cases already mentioned, there are several awaiting the action of the Grand Jury. The Grand Jury will be called upon the opening of the Court, and the first, second and third days devoted to the trial of criminal cases only; after which the following assignment of the civil docket will be taken up, to wit:

Issues of the fourth day, Thursday, Jan. 15th.
Bradley & Carrier vs. Tucker, Lucas & Co.; debt.
Smith's ex'r. vs. C. H. Cole; case at law.

R. H. Buckner vs. Huley and others; ejectment.
Phillips & Bro. vs. O. & A. R. R. Co.; case.

Jeremiah Robb vs. J. Nagle; case.
Beverly & Snowden vs. Paris Simms; ejectment.

Chas. Young vs. Jas. Caswell; removal.
B. H. Lamborn vs. O. P. Evans; removal.
Chas. Kou vs. Oscar Tubman; removal.

Cms. Brili vs. E. C. Atwell; case.
Issues fifth day, Friday, Jan. 16th.

Jos. Packard vs. L. Gutzberger; trespass.
First National Bank vs. W. B. Price; debt.
J. R. Javins vs. James Cole; removal.

M. Y. Farlow vs. E. W. Kincheol; debt.
C. W. Newland vs. James Cline; removal.
Issues sixth day, Saturday, Jan. 17.

F. Minor vs. James Anderson et al.; issue out of chancery.
Wm. G. Simpson vs. James Javins; issue out of chancery.

Turnbull & Bro. vs. Brockett et al.; debt.
Rogers & Co. vs. Wimmer & Bros.; assumption.
H. H. Wadles, assignee, vs. George L. Sedon; removal.

N. Goodhand's adm'r. vs. Ezekiel Jones; case.
Issues seventh day, Monday, Jan. 19.

John M. Chapman vs. W. A. Stewart et al.; covenant.
George W. Lewis et al. vs. Sarah Parsons et al.; ejectment.

Herr & Welch vs. W. F. Henderson; case.
Julius Drifus vs. Sam'l. Einstein; assumption.

L. B. Lipson vs. E. W. Kincheol; debt.
John Q. Hewlett & Son vs. Julius Drifus; case at law.

Chas. Weston vs. Albert Hane; removal.
J. C. Phillips vs. B. C. Cottle; removal.
Maria McDermott vs. Burley, by next friend; issue out of chancery.

Issues eighth day, Tuesday, Jan. 20.

M. & A. Huesler vs. Broder & Cogan; issue.
C. O'Leary's adm'r. vs. Harlow & Bro.; issue.
Gage & Davis vs. Pierce, Loving & Co.; case.

Wm. N. McVeigh vs. E. J. Underwood; ejectment.
Sims P. Stevens vs. Wm. H. DeVaughan; case.

W. H. McKnight vs. W. W. Adam; case.
E. S. Crump vs. Little River Turnpike Co.; case.

Harlow & Bro. vs. Chas. M. Fadden; case.
J. C. Mullins vs. C. O'Leary; case at law.

P. A. Machin vs. Emily Baiting; debt.
G. K. Wimmer & Bro. vs. Sarah J. Watkins; debt.

The writs of enquiry will be called on Wednesday, January 21, 1874.

Subpoenas for witnesses in cases have issued returnable to the day of assignment of the cases, respectively, and the cases under the rule of the Court will be called for disposition on the day of assignment.

THE RIVER is entirely free of ice and navigation is uninterrupted.

The tug Mary Lewis has succeeded in getting off the tug Reel that came around from New York to tow the monitor Mantauck to Norfolk, but got aground off Giesboro and remained fast until 5 o'clock last night, when she was drawn off.

Very few vessels are arriving, and those only small river craft.

QUALIFIED.—R. D. Ruffin, colored, of this city, yesterday qualified as sheriff of the county by taking the oath of office before Judge Sanger at Fairfax Court House, J. A. Seaton and T. B. Pinn, both colored, being his bondsmen. Ruffin has been studying law at the Howard University during the last two or three years. He is said to be the first colored man that has ever taken the oath of office as sheriff in Virginia.

LOCAL BRIVITIES.

The track laying on the East Alexandria railroad has been completed nearly to Uniontown, across the Eastern Branch, a fine bridge having been thrown over the track of the B. & P. R. R. at that point, and work on the line is rapidly progressing in the direction of the river, opposite this city.

A letter addressed to Miss Frances Gillingham, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to George P. Carson, without Post Office direction, are held in the Post Office here, the former for want of a postage stamp.

The funeral of the late Mr. Thos. Channoy was attended this evening by the Red Men and Knights of Pythias, of which orders deceased was a member.

There was but one case at police headquarters to-day—that of a colored man, who, for drunkenness and disorderly conduct, was fined and discharged.

A colored man living near the tunnel captured a large opossum in his yard last night, attracted there by a desire to feast on chickens.

The large meteor seen in this vicinity on Christmas Eve, between 7 and 8 o'clock, was also observed in Spotsylvania.

The January term of the County Court, Judge James Sangster to preside, commences on Monday.

A full attendance is desired at the meeting of the Hook and Ladder Company to-night.

Five lodgers were accommodated at the station house last night.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

(SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.)

FROM RICHMOND.

RICHMOND, Jan. 2.—The Legislature in joint session, yesterday, counted the vote for Governor and Lieutenant Governor with the following result: For Governor, James L. Kemper, 127-738; Robert W. Hughes, 93,499.

For Lieut. Governor: R. E. Withers, 120,471; C. P. Ramsdell, 92,925. Whole vote in the State, 214,238.

The oath of office to Gov. Kemper was administered by Judge Moncre, of the Court of Appeals, in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Attorney General R. T. Daniel has qualified and entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office.

Col. T. F. Owens, aide-de-camp to the Governor, yesterday tendered his resignation to Gov. Walker, and it was accepted, to take effect on and after to-day. Col. Owens retires with the esteem and good wishes of all who have had business with the Executive office.

It is understood that Gov. Kemper will not occupy the Executive mansion for a week or ten days, as some necessary repairs are being made. It is further reported that the Governor will place at the head of the domestic and social affairs of the Executive mansion one of Virginia's fairest daughters, formerly of Rappahannock county, but lately removed to Spotsylvania.

The Senate has abolished the office of a second door keeper—always a sinecure—for the past four years held by Abram Hall, a very worthy colored man.

The House of Delegates is also exhibiting economical symptoms and a disposition to curtail the appointing powers of the Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms, by depriving each of much of their present patronage in the distribution of clerkships, devolving the appointment of the committee clerks and under officers upon the House.

The election of John F. Wall, of Frederick, for the position of Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, will be most gratifying to his friends.

Mr. Wall has served longer as a member of the House of Delegates than any man now living.

The Senate consists of forty-three members, of whom thirty-three are Conservatives and nine Radicals, two of the latter colored.

The House has 131 members, of whom 98 are Conservatives and 33 Radicals, 17 of the latter being colored. The Conservative majority on joint ballot is 89.

W. R. Taliaferro, of Orange, who was a member of the last House, is spoken of as a candidate for Superintendent of Public Education, and it is said that the friends of R. V. J. Wm. Jones are disposed to support Mr. Taliaferro if Mr. Jones does not determine to push his own claims. It is more than probable, however, that Dr. Ruffin will be re-elected and, indeed, it would be difficult to find any one who could fill his place.

For Superintendent of Public Printing the contest is now between R. F. Walker, present incumbent, and A. J. Wedderburn, each earnestly striving for success.

On Tuesday night last, the delegates of the "granges" of the State met at the Exchange Hotel and organized a State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. D. S. Curtis, General Deputy of the State, and the General Lecturer of the National Grange, F. A. Tompion, of Minnesota, were present. The following officers were elected: J. W. White, Master; M. W. Hazlewood, of Richmond, Secretary; J. W. Morton, of Charlotte, Lecturer; David Chalmers, of Halifax, Chaplain. The fifth degree was conferred on the Grange, and a resolution of thanks was tendered to Lecturer Thompson for his complete exemplification of the work of the Order. The next meeting of the Grange will be held in January, 1875, in Richmond.

SECOND DISPATCH.

RICHMOND, Jan. 2.—Last night the First Regiment, Virginia Volunteers, under command of Col. Stone, turned out, and with their excellent band serenaded Gov. Walker, who is for the present stopping at the Exchange Hotel. There were several thousand people congregated in the street, to whom the ex-Governor made a very happy speech, during the delivery of which he was frequently applauded. The demonstration was a very grand affair, and was an evidence of the high estimation in which Gov. Walker is held by the people of Richmond.

Calls were made for Gov. Kemper, in response to which it was stated that the Governor was absent from the city.

Gov. Kemper's message is published in full in all the city papers, and is endorsed by the State Journal (Radical.) The Whig cordially endorses it, and the Dispatch says that it is a most admirable message for a new Governor. The Equivocal speaks in high terms of it.

Both branches of the Legislature to-day held short sessions, and after the transaction of some unimportant business, the presentation of sundry bills, resolutions, &c., passed a joint resolution to proceed to the election of State officers to-morrow, and then adjourned.

A caucus of the Conservative members will be held to-night, when it is probable all the officers will be nominated. There is no opposition to the present incumbents, except for the positions of First Auditor, Superintendent of Public Buildings, Superintendent of Public Education, and Superintendent of Public Education.

There is nothing new in reference to the Senatorial contest.

The Ville du Havre Disaster.
LONDON, Jan. 2.—During the investigation into the Ville du Havre disaster, yesterday, Mr. Waite, of New York, who was a passenger on the steamship, deposed that he was rescued by the French boat; the same boat afterwards rescued Captain Surpout, who was in the sea clinging to some wreckage. Mr. Waite further stated that the crew of the Loch Earn confounded the pilot of the Ville du Havre with Capt. Surmont, and it was that that gave rise to the statement that the latter's clothing was dry when he came on board the Loch Earn. The court accepted this explanation of Mr. Waite and thanked him for having made it.

Entered upon their Duties.
ALBANY, Jan. 2.—All the newly-elected State officials to-day entered upon the discharge of their duties.

Fires.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 2.—Frauenthal's Opera House was consumed last evening, caused by a lamp explosion in a restaurant on the lower floor. Loss about \$30,000; insured.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 2.—The destruction of Frauenthal's Opera House last night was caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp in the basement, which was occupied by John Lynn as a restaurant. The first floor was occupied by Frauenthal as a boot and shoe store, and by Mrs. Langfield's dry goods and millinery store. The other portion of the building was fitted up as an opera house and a large audience was present to witness the performance of the variety troupe when the alarm was sounded. The smoke arose so thick and fast that some persons were nearly suffocated before they could get out. Frauenthal's loss is \$60,000; insured for \$10,000; Mrs. Langfield's, \$25,000; John Lynn's, \$3,000; uninsured.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Bradbury's, piano manufacturers of Grand and Crosby street, and W. H. Seymour & Sons, silk hat manufactory, adjoining on Crosby street, were burned early this morning. The loss is estimated at \$10,000, and Bradbury's at \$65,000. Loss on the buildings, \$20,000.

Financial.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The proportion of reserve to liabilities of the Bank of England which was last week 44 per cent, is now 29 1/2.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The rate of discount in open market for three months' bills is 4 per cent, or 1/2 below the Bank of England rate.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The outstanding loan certificates amount to \$750,000, a decrease of \$250,000 since the last report.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The amount of bullion sent into the Bank of England on balance to-day is £17,000.

Vain Pursuit.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—Yesterday two New York detectives arrived here in pursuit of Sharkey, having heard of a mysterious man boarding at a house near the Continental Hotel, who never left his room except to get his meals. They visited the suspected person, but found a man with heavy mustache and side whiskers, but not at all resembling Sharkey. The officers returned to New York.

The Edgar Stewart.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—An Havana letter says intelligence has reached there that the Edgar Stewart is fitting out for the Cuban service. The Tornado has left P. R. and it is generally reported that she received orders to pursue the Stewart, and if she proves to be of the same character as the Virginia, not to take her, but sink her.

Election in Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 2.—The entire Republican ticket was elected yesterday. The majority of John Leake, for Mayor, is about 500 while that of Fred. S. Chappier for tax collector and E. Shaw, for sheriff, is much larger. The vote polled was very light. In many of the wards not more than half of the whites registered voted.

Crime.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—There were numerous beating and stabbing affairs here yesterday. None, however, proved fatal with the exception of a man named Wm. Banta, who was beaten to death early in the morning. One Hughes, a bar keeper, has been arrested on suspicion of being the murderer.

Murder.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 2.—Two unknown drunken men, strangers to each other, quarrelled in the street last night when one knocked the other down and plunged a knife through his forehead, breaking the blade and leaving part of it in the man's brain. When the police arrived the wounded man was dead. The murderer escaped.

Collision.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The steamship E. E. E. at this port from Glasgow while coming up the bay this morning collided with the pilot boat E. T. Williams and ran aground off Staten. She will have to discharge part of her cargo, before she can get off.

Disseminated.

FORT MONROE, Va., Jan. 2.—The schooner Allen Lewis, from Navassa for City Point, lost her main-boom and main-mast in the gale of the 25th ult.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—A fresh southeasterly and westerly winds, with generally cloudy weather and light rain, probably clearing in the interior with a slight fall of temperature. For the South Atlantic States, less pressure, with partly cloudy weather and possibly rain on the coast.

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NOTICE.—THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of Alexandria county will meet at the Court House of the county, on the SECOND MONDAY IN JANUARY, on which day all persons having claims against the county will present them.
DAVID HUNTER, Clerk.

VIRGINIA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE.
The next full session will open on the 24th OF FEBRUARY and close on the second Wednesday in August. The third annual session will commence on the day following and continue until the 22d of December, when the vacation of two months begins. The necessary expenses of a State student do not exceed \$150 for ten months.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

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